

REMARKS

Claims 2-5, 7-15, 22-24, 26-42, 48, 49, 55, and 56 are now pending in the application. The following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the outstanding Office Action and are believed to place the application in condition for allowance. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the rejections in view of the remarks contained herein.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claims 39 and 48 stand objected to for failing to show amendments in a manner as set forth in MPEP § 1453. Applicants have reformatted Claims 39 and 48 to show the amendments made to Claims 39 and 48 in the Response filed March 10, 2008, in accordance with the requirements set forth in MPEP § 1453. Applicants respectfully submit that because the foregoing changes to Claims 39 and 48 relate to clerical errors, a Supplemental Reissue Oath/Declaration is not required. See the MPEP at § 1414.01. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the objections.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Applicants acknowledge the allowance of Claims 2-5, 7-15, 22-24, 26-42, 48, 49, 55, and 56.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request

that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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